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TAGS: ELAB, SF

SUBJECT: LABOUR MINISTER VILJOEN ANNOUNCES PLANS TO USE  
COMMITTEE SYSTEM AS BASIS FOR INDUSTRY- WIDE BARGAINING  
FOR BLACKS

REF: JOHANNESBURG'S 687

1. ENCOURAGED BY CONTINUING LULL IN BLACK STRIKE ACTION AND BY  
QUALIFIED ENDORSEMENT OF WORKS AND LIAISON COMMITTEE SYSTEM BY "THE  
EMPLOYERS' CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE ON LABOUR AFFAIRS" (SEE REFTEL),  
VILJOEN RECENTLY ANNOUNCED HE IS CONSIDERING INTRODUCING LEGISLATION  
IN 1976 WHICH WOULD (A) MAKE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN EMPLOYERS AND COMM-  
ITTEES LEGALLY-BINDING, (B) PROVIDE FOR INDUSTRY-WIDE BARGAINING  
VIA "INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEES" ELECTED BY MEMBERS OF PLANT-LEVEL  
COMMITTEES AND (C) PROVIDE FOR APPOINTMENT OF BLACK MEMBER OF  
CENTRAL BANTU LABOUR BOARD.

2. COMMENT: CHARACTERISTICALLY THRUSTING ALL INCONVENIENT FACTS  
TO ONE SIDE, E.G. FACTS ABOUT BLACK TRADE UNION MOVEMENT, VILJOEN  
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& CO. ARE CONTINUING TO RELY UPON THEIR TIME-TESTED SYSTEM OF

RAMMING IDEOLOGICALLY SALEABLE SOLUTIONS TO COMPLEX PROBLEMS DOWN  
THE THROATS OF ALL CONCERNED.  
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